

The claims defining the invention are as follows:

1. A colorant composition comprising a humic acid, fulvic acid or a mixture thereof and a water soluble dye.
- 5 2. The composition of claim 1, further comprising water.
3. The composition of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the dye is an anionic dye.
- 10 4. The composition of claim 3, wherein the dye contains an organic acid group or a salt thereof.
5. The composition of claim 4, wherein the dye is a salt of a sulfonic acid.
- 15 6. The composition of claim 5, wherein the dye is selected from the group consisting of acid blue 62 (Sodium 1- amino- 4- (cyclohexylamino)- 9, 10- dihydro- 9, 10- dioxoanthracene- 2- sulphonate); acid blue 74 (Disodium 5, 5'- (2- (1, 3- dihydro- 3- oxo- 2H- indazol- 2- ylidene)- 1, 2- dihydro- 3H- indol- 3- one)disulphonate); acid blue 1 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (diethylamino)- 2', 4'- disulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]diethylammonium, sodium salt); acid blue 185; acid blue 9 (Dihydrogen (ethyl)[4- [4- [ethyl(3- sulphonatobenzyl)]amino]- 2'- sulphonatobenzhydrylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene](3- sulphonatobenzyl)ammonium or disodium salt); acid green 1 (Trisodium tris[5, 6- dihydro- 5- (hydroxyimino)- 6- oxonaphthalene- 2- sulphonato(2- )- N5, O6]ferrate(3- )) and acid green 50 (Hydrogen [4- [4- (dimethylamino)- a- (2- hydroxy- 3, 6- disulphonato- 1- naphthyl)benzylidene]cyclohexa- 2, 5- dien- 1- ylidene]dimethylammonium, monosodium salt) or mixtures or any two or more thereof.
- 20 7. The composition of claim 4, wherein the dye is an acid blue dye.
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8. The composition of claim 3 comprising between about 30:1 to about 1:3 parts by weight humic acid and/or fulvic acid to colorant.

9. The composition of claim 2, which further comprises a water soluble  
5 fertilizer.

10. The composition of claim 2, which further comprises a surfactant.

11. A method of imparting a colour to foliage, the method including applying a  
10 composition of claim 2 to the foliage.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein the foliage is turf grass.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein the colorant is an acid blue dye.  
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14. The method of claim 13, wherein the between about 24 to about 120g humic and/or fulvic acid and between about 1.5 to about 7.5g dye are applied per 100m<sup>2</sup> turf grass.

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